

REMARKS

Claims 7-9, 11, 16-18, 20, 30-32, 34, 38-40, and 42 are now pending in the present application. Claims 7-8, 11, 16-17, 20, 30-31, 34, 38-39, and 41-42 have been canceled. Claims 9, 18, 32, and 40 have been amended.

Applicant has followed Examiner's suggestion to amend claims 9, 18, 32, and 40 such that said claims are now in independent form, containing all limitations which were present in the previously rejected independent claims upon which they depended. The pending claims are now in condition for allowance.

CLAIM REJECTIONS – 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 32 and 40

The Examiner has rejected claims 32 and 40 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for having insufficient antecedent basis for the phrase "the group." In particular, the Examiner stated:

Claim 32 recites the limitation "the group" in line 2. There is insufficient basis for this limitation in this claim.

Claim 40 recites the limitation "the group" in line 2. There is insufficient basis for this limitation in this claim.

Claims 32 and 40 have been amended to overcome the rejections. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the Examiner's rejection based upon 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant believes the claims are in condition for allowance. If there are any outstanding issues that Examiner feels may be resolved by way of a telephone conference, the Examiner is cordially invited to contact Zachary Hilton at 972.367.2001.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional payments that may be due for additional claims to Deposit Account 50-0392.

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